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TOPIC Zerbst Airfield

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1. Zerbst airfield (M 52/D 98) was observed from its northern edge from 9 to 10 a.m. on [REDACTED] Seven MIG 15s were counted, and an estimated seven or eight aircraft were seen in front of the hangars. (1) Visibility was approximately 1,500 meters. Two single-seater, low-wing monoplanes with radial engines, previously observed at the field, landed during the period of observation. (2)
2. A long yellow building, possibly a wooden structure, was observed east of the hangar on the northern edge of the field. Adjacent to this building were five tower-like structures made of beams. They were 8 to 10 meters high. Behind the buildings was a dump of about the same height. Between the wooden structures was a grab crane for the loading of railroad cars. (3)
3. The building material dump was still northwest of the field. Nearly all the piles of timber north of the field path had been removed. A railroad flatcar was being loaded with railroad ties. A sign attached to the construction hut was lettered Bauunion Sued. The narrow-gauge field railroad rails and tipping cars previously stored in the building materials dump were no longer observed there. Some of the rails had been laid from the dump toward the field. The field path leading through the building material dump was being provided with drainage facilities. (4)

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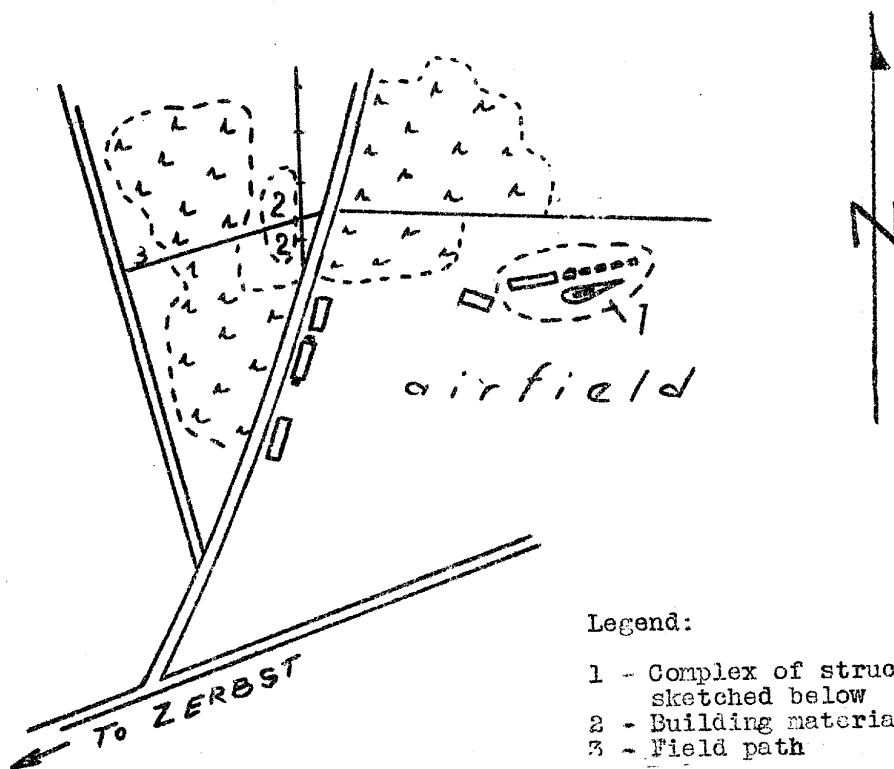
- (1) The exact number of jet aircraft stationed in Zerbst has not been determined. [REDACTED] the field was occupied by two fighter regiments.
- (2) Presumably Yak-11 aircraft.
- (3) Construction work on the building was reported in early 1951. See [REDACTED] sketch of towers, see Annex. The purpose of the building and the five towers is unknown.
- (4) The existence of the building materials dump was confirmed [REDACTED] See [REDACTED] The piles of timber were probably used for the construction of the buildings and the five towers. For location of dump, see Annex.

1 Annex: One sketch on ditto.

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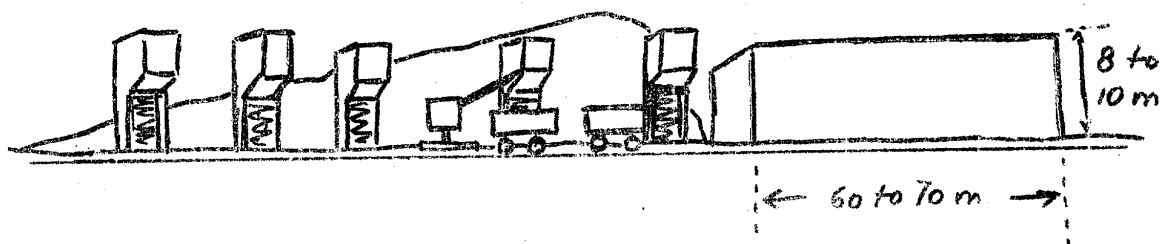


Legend:

- 1 - Complex of structures  
sketched below
- 2 - Building material dump
- 3 - Field path

Complex of Structures

Observed from the north toward the south



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